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Forward
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Now is the time for all good men—to be sure that they can vote at the important elections that will occur his year. To be eligible for voting privileges you must have been a resident of the state for one year, of the county for ninety days and of the precinct for forty days. And don't forget to register! Mary Burson at the Journal office is the registrar for Joshua Tree precinct and will be glad to make an honest Republican or Democrat of you. Hurry, hurry, hurry and avoid the last minute rush. Registrations will cease forty days before the June election.

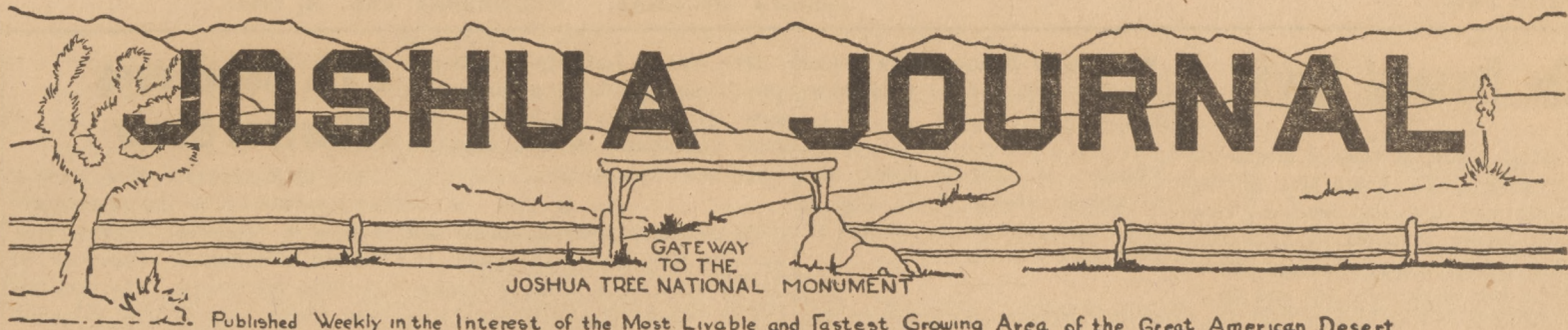


A bouquet of posies and a bottle of Joshua Tree superfine water to the weatherman for an unparalleled performance the past week. The mild temperatures, that sunshine with umph, the clouds at sunset—and at sunrise, too, I hear they were out of this world—are the stuff that makes Chamber of Commerce officials drool. The birds in my neighborhood are probably thankful, too. They should be, considering the amount of fresh grass seed my better half is feeding them. I hope they leave enough to lend a touch of green to the front yard when spring comes.



All this levity and light-heartedness will avail you nothing, however, with Uncle Sam's treasury boys. That income tax blank is still waiting to be filled out, I betcha. The maestro in the White House finally came out with a \$40 offer for votes—whoops, I mean request for income tax reduction—but it won't help any on last years pittance. So get busy, brother; sharpen that pencil and don't spare the check book.

While I'm being morbid let's talk about more unpleasant things. It appears that the vegetarians are about to have their innings. Yep, the boys on Capitol Hill are even
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Volunteer Fire Company to be Formed

A volunteer fire fighting company as a community wide project was given the go ahead signal at the open meeting of the Joshua Tree Chamber of Commerce held in the Community Hall last Friday night. More than sixty interested citizens and property owners from Joshua Tree, Sun Valley and the surrounding desert area were present and

voted unanimously to hold a meeting of all residents of this area on Wednesday, January 21st, at which time the formal organization of the fire company will be effected. Two disastrous fires which occurred recently emphasized the need for protection here.

The Friday meeting was the first of the year for the Joshua Tree Chamber of Commerce and was conducted by the newly elected president, Meredith Willey. At a special meeting of heads of most of the civic organizations held last month Willey was appointed to investigate possibilities for forming a fire district and other districts here which would enable the community to obtain equipment through taxation. He reported that county officials advised it would take from two to three years before any such money could be available and suggested a volunteer organization as the immediate solution.

Procedure for organization of a volunteer company was outlined by County Counsel Al Weller who forwarded the necessary papers to Willey and offered further help and advice if it is needed. A committee on financing and acquiring equipment will be appointed at the public meeting on January 21st.

Many of those present advanced constructive suggestions and information that had been gathered during the past year or so. John Payne of Sun Valley, a former member of Los Angeles County fire department was delegated to contact any communities that might have for sale used equipment. Many others volunteered to get pertinent information for the forthcoming meeting.

President Willey at the regular business session of the Chamber that preceded the fire discussion gave a resume of the action taken at the meeting of the board of directors last Tuesday. He announced that standing committees had been authorized as follows: a Traffic committee of one member who would attend meetings of the County Safety Council; a New Enterprises and Publicity committee; a Membership committee consisting of all members of the board of directors with Charles Mitchell as chairman; a Program committee of three members; and a Ways and Means committee to consist of not less than five members. A special School Fund committee was also provided to handle the money held in trust for the purchase of such equipment not provided by the school trustees. Chairmen and members of committees will be named after February first when the complete list of paid-up members will be available.

One new applicant, Robert Gorham of Inglewood, was elected to
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Postmaster Exam To be Held for Morongo Office

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination to fill the position of fourth class postmaster at Morongo Valley, California. The examination will be held at Palm Springs, California.

Receipt of applications will close on January 29, 1948. Salary \$1180.

The examination is open to all citizens of, or nationals who owe allegiance to, the United States who reside within the territory supplied by the post office for which this examination is announced and who are at least 21 years of age, but not yet 65, on the date of the close of receipt of applications for this examination.

Application blanks and full information about the requirements of the examination may be secured from the post office for which this examination is announced, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington 25, D. C. Applications must be on file with the Commission at Washington, D. C., on the date specified above.

The date of examinations will be stated on admission cards mailed to applicants after the close of receipt of applications.

Harry Hess Heads Morongo C. of C.

Harry M. Hess, pioneer realtor of Morongo and former vice-president, was elected to the presidency of the Morongo Valley Chamber of Commerce at the regular election meeting held in Morongo Inn last Thursday night, January 8th.

F. N. Archer is the new 1st vice-president; Cyril Millington was elected 2nd vice-president; and re-elected for another year were Bernard Arnold, treasurer and Al Weir, secretary.

The new directors are D. F. Geil, retiring president and Kenneth Fobes. Fobes was ill at his Pasadena home and could not attend.

The Morongo Valley Chamber of Commerce has assisted in the development of the community during the last two years and points with pride to the increasing population and many new buildings finished or under construction. The granting of a post office which has been of great service to the public, and the acquisition of electric service from the California Electric Company have been important factors in the growth of the village.

President Hess is presently supervising the building of a Community Hall to be used as a school house and church. On this project many citizens are donating money, time and materials.

Phone Installation Nears Completion

Joshuans will soon be using that remarkable invention of Don Ameche's—or was it Alexander Graham Bell's—judging from the activity of a crew of men from the Monrovia office of the California Water and Telephone Company this past week. Many desk sets of the most modern design have already been installed in Joshua Tree business houses and homes. Cable splicing crews are expected to complete their work some time between the 20th and last of the month.

A supervisor is here this week instructing Gladys Teeter who will manage the local switchboard and business office and her temporary assistant Madge Rees. The balance of the phone numbers will also be assigned. Sixty subscribers will be awaiting the final cutting in of this long desired service.

Camera Caravan Tours Monument

Fifty members of the Rancho Travel and Camera Club of Palm Springs in a caravan of ten streamer-bedecked automobiles paused in Joshua Tree Saturday morning for gas and refreshments before heading into the Joshua Tree National Monument for a day of snap-shooting and movie making. Chairman and organizer of the tour was Mrs. Howard Matthias who announced that this was the first of a series of weekly tours planned for the newly organized club. All members of the Club are residents at the Rancho Trailer Park of Palm Springs which accommodates at the present time two hundred fifty trailers. Owners of the Park and organizers of the Club are Mr. and Mrs. Walter Illich.

Camera fans of all ages and both sexes made up the caravan. Cameras that were carried included every type of still and movie equipment normally operated by lens and shutter bugs. Contaxes, Leicas, Eastman and other makes of 35 mm. miniatures and 8mm and 16 mm movie cameras, some even equipped for movies with sound, were brought into play on the tour which started at the west entrance to the scenic portion of the Monument through Joshua Tree. Hidden Valley, Keys View and other points of interest were on the itinerary. Completing the tour the caravan followed the route from Keys View down through 29 Palms at the eastern end of the trail. About late afternoon the tour ended and the cavalcade was seen heading down the Highway for home.

Pictures made will be shown after development to the other members of the Club. Total membership, said Mrs. Matthias is 125.

Sun Valley Model Cottage Sold

The first of two model cottage homes recently completed for the Bunker Land Company in the Sun Loma tract at Sun Valley Acres was purchased Saturday by Gordon Armstrong, reports Chester R. Bunker, president of the Land Company. The cottage is of frame construction with concrete floor and foundations and a wide ranch type veranda in front. It contains many time-and-labor saving built-in features. The lot is attractively fenced and landscaped. Joe Arch was in charge of construction for the Bunker Land Company.

Gordon Armstrong, the new owner, is a retired builder who has been making his home in Los Angeles. He owns other property in Joshua Tree and is well known here. He plans to establish residence in his new home at Sun Valley about the first of next week.

Gerhards Building Modern Rentals

Construction has started on two modern, ranch-type rental homes for Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gerhard of Los Angeles on their residential income property on Begonia Road in the Sunrise Terrace addition. F. F. Branthoover of Yucaipa, contractor, has already poured the foundations.

Gerhards, in Joshua Tree on Sunday, said that the homes will be concrete block construction with modern flat roofs. Each will consist of bedroom, living room and dining area, kitchenette and bath, all electrically equipped. Featuring the architecture of the units will be eight foot plate glass picture windows.

Gerhard is engaged in the auto parts business in Los Angeles. Both he and Mrs. Gerhard are enthusiastic about desert living and intend to make their home in Joshua Tree as soon as possible.

Masons to Elect New Officers

Members of the Desert Masonic Club will meet Friday night, January 30th at the Josh Barn in 29 Palms. Principal business of the evening will be the election of new officers for the ensuing year.

Membership in the Club is composed of many Master Masons residing in the Joshua Tree area from Morongo to 29 Palms.

The Personal Touch

After a stay of several weeks at her Joshua Tree home Mrs. Hulda Hedin and her sister-in-law, Victoria Hedin returned to Los Angeles on Saturday. Visiting Mrs. Hedin last week were Mr. and Mrs. H. Sandell of Minneapolis and Mrs. Clara Sandell of Los Angeles.

C. C. Moore, former governor of Idaho has leased the Hedin cottage and will spend several weeks in Joshua Tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bloom of Oakland are visiting his brother George and Mrs. Bloom at Valley View apartments. The Fred Blooms plan to spend another month taking advantage of the desert sunshine.

Steve Szabo of Los Angeles accompanied Steve Moninger on his midweek trip from the city to Joshua Tree. He spent Wednesday and Thursday getting acquainted with our desert.

Forrest Wilson returned to Joshua Tree last week after a few days absence. He was joined by Mrs. Wilson on Friday night for the weekend.

Guests at Desertaire Lodge last weekend were Mr. and Mrs. H. Sandell of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and from Los Angeles, Dr. Grace P. Nickerson, Miss Elsie Stone, Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Watson and son James, Miss Betty Smith, Mrs. Leonora Day, Mrs. Pearl Bratton and Mrs. Beckwith.

James F. Whitehorn was in Joshua Tree last Friday inspecting his Ranch development and conferring with his tract manager, Meredith Willey.

Weekend guests at Lou Housley's home on Park Boulevard were Ethel and George Shaw of Los Angeles.

Miss Ellen Harper of Pacific Grove last week purchased the attractive modern home on Park Boulevard recently completed by George Bloom. She plans to spend her winters in her new Joshua Tree residence.

Mr and Mrs. R. H. Mathews of Santa Ana were weekend guests at Lockhaven Court. They plan to build soon on their home-site here.

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COCKTAILS

CLOSED WEDNESDAY

Yucca Valley

Mrs. Gladys Krantz of 29 Palms spent last weekend at Lockhaven Court.

Chester R. Bunker spent the weekend in Joshua Tree after a three weeks absence occasioned by a bout with Virus X.

Quality Furniture—Lyons Furn. Co.

Madge Rees of Yucaipa is visiting her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Aldridge. Miss Rees will assist Gladys Teeter in the operation of the Joshua Tree telephone exchange for the first month

The B. B. Wilds and the Bob Garrys spent Sunday in the Monument panning for gold. Sunday evening they were reported to be planning a return to the usual workaday routine on Monday.

Spending the weekend at the Bunker Clubhouse was Gordon Armstrong of Los Angeles. He drove out with Chester Bunker on Saturday.

Frank and Maude Fox of Yucaipa spent the weekend at their home on Valley View Circle in Joshua Tree. Gardo came along, too.

Lending a strictly western touch to our community last Saturday were several strange horsemen who cantered about the streets of Joshua Tree for an hour or so then headed off into the desert.

Office furniture—Lyon's Furn. Co.

Mrs. Hillard Lafferty is in Riverside Community hospital where she went on Saturday for a minor surgical operation. She is expected home later this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gray Krumcke and Mr. and Mrs. Roy V. Pierpoint returned last week from a holiday trip to Oklahoma and Kansas. The Krumckes also tripped to Missis-

sippi for a visit with relatives. Both families report a pleasant time but are happy to be back on "our desert."

Mrs. Genevieve Olson of Los Angeles spent her first weekend on the desert as a guest at Mira Monte Court. She accompanied Col. E. B. Moore and Steve Moninger from the city on Saturday. Mrs. Olson recently received a surprise visit from her son who is a Military Intelligence officer with the U. S. Army in China.

Post Cards—The Gift Box.

Death Claims Sophia Young

Word was received by telephone Sunday that Sophia Young had died of cancer after an illness of several months. She had known for some time that death was imminent. Miss Young formerly lived in her quarter home on a five acre tract northwest of Sunrise Terrace. A former Army nurse she was a veteran of World War I.

No details regarding the funeral services or burial were learned.

PTA Rehearses Minstrel Show

The PTA minstrel show planned for presentation in the near future is now in rehearsal, reports Mrs. Melbrey Papendick, chairman of the show committee. The cast has been chosen and is now complete except for a few specialty numbers. Mrs. Papendick is seeking talent for these numbers and asks that anyone who can sing, dance or play a musical instrument turn out for rehearsals. Exact date for the public performance will be announced later.

The regular meeting of the board of directors was held at Mrs. Papendick's home Tuesday, January 13th, at 2 p.m.

Dr. G. Susserman will be the speaker at the PTA meeting to be held at the school house January 20th. He is a representative of the California Association of Chiropractists and will present pictures, too.

HOME PERMITS OVER \$24,000 IN DECEMBER

Building permits issued for residence construction in Joshua Tree during December, 1947 totaled \$24,585, according to figures from the office of Jeff Davis, deputy building inspector at 29 Palms. This was the high figure for residential construction in the tri-valley area. In the entire area under Davis' supervision 29 Palms led all communities with \$93,387 for residences and \$15,168 for commercial structures.

Permits for both residence and

Board Acts On Setback Plan

The board of directors and officers of the Joshua Tree Chamber of Commerce met Saturday morning for a survey of the business district relative to suggestions for future development of the area. A letter and plan from the County Planning Commission had been received with a request for such action.

Except for a few corner lots on Commercial Street where a five foot set back from the lot line was recommended the Commission stated it recommended at least a ten foot set back on all lots not on the Highway. With a few exceptions the Board of Directors concurred in the Commissions recommendations. On Park Boulevard from the Highway north to Chollita the board suggested no set back. Because of existing buildings on Commercial between Sunset and Elwood no set back was suggested on the north side of the street. No changes in residential areas were involved.

Chrome Sets — Lyons Furn. Co.

commercial buildings were \$138,115 and \$93,990 respectively. Yucca Valley received permits for \$14,603 residence and \$25,500 commercial; Piñonville started no new residences in December but permits issued for commercial building totalled \$43,902; in Morongo Valley the figures were \$5,540 for homes and \$9,420 for business buildings.

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Collins Buchner of Los Angeles returned to his home last Thursday after a three day visit in Morongo and Yucca Valleys. He was a guest at the H. M. Hess home in Morongo. Mr. Buchner also spent one day painting on the new Morongo Community Hall.

Bill Underhill, 29 Palms Theater owner will give the proceeds from the January 17th show to the new Community Hall in Morongo. "Her Husband's Affair" will be the feature.

Angel's Cafe served a baked ham dinner at noon Sunday to all the workers on the Community Hall.

Armstrong Linoleum—Lyons Furn.

County Planning News

Because of a rush of business Planning News was discontinued for several months. We are glad to hear that it will be issued again every month from the office of Harold Zenz, county planning director.

(Ed. note.)

SUBDIVISIONS! — It has been 11 months since our last News Letter, and, if nothing else has happened, at least 150 Subdivisions in the unincorporated area have passed through the Office of the County Planning Commission, together with more than an equal number of Subdivision inquiries. The importance of these Subdivision is reflected by the one fact that over 105 miles of road will be added to the County Road System by these new developments.

SAFETY — Orchids to the Upland City Council, and the Upland Planning Commission, for their progressive and firm use of restrictions on red and green advertising lights along the beautiful Foothill Boulevard. This move is one that could logically be followed by every State where there are traffic lights in use. Motorists must not spend too much of their time differentiating between warning and advertising lights. Look at your own Community problems, and notice how sound the Upland plan is, and you may want to foster some new Legislation.

IT'S JUST GOOD BUSINESS! — A Business today without adequate parking facilities, is worse than a home without a front yard. Each citizen is interested in having healthy shopping centers, where profits are sufficient to pay normal salaries, business licenses, and property taxes . . . and it is a growing necessity that the automobile be given first consideration. Parking facilities should be considered as a 'MUST' for Churches, Schools, Y.M.C.A.'s, Club Houses, and other places where the public

gathers, and most modern Zoning Ordinances are making this a requirement. As a bare minimum, the parking space should equal the floor space to be used, and many new businesses are providing 2½ to 3 times the parking space!

HORSEMEN — Your County Planning Commission is working with the newly formed Valley-Wide Riding Club Council, which represents the 15 or 16 riding groups. It is hoped that plans for Bridal Trails can be coordinated with Highway, Recreational and Flood Channel Development, so that a fully integrated plan can be developed, at little or no extra cost to the public. The plans will be aimed at a 15 or 20 year goal, and will tie into the State-wide Trail which is being developed toward San Bernardino County.

SET-BACKS — We hope you have noticed the increased use of adequate building set-backs throughout our County, as it has been a major talking point of your County Planning Commission and Building Department. Much safety has been built into our High-

ways by this program, and future traffic needs are being provided for; property owners will be saved much inconvenience and road monies will be spent on roads, and not on the moving of buildings.

GROWTH! — Over 7,000 Building Permits have been issued by the Building Department in the unincorporated areas during 1947, which indicates that there is no slump in the healthy growth in this County. In addition to helping our citizens build better buildings, thus preserving property values, the Department has assisted in the curing of many potential hazards in places of public assemblage. Dance Halls, Cafes, Hotels, Bars, Theatres, Club Houses, and other similar buildings have been inspected, and public safety increased. A good example of this service was the Hotel at Crestline, which burned to the ground without loss of life, the second story of which has been closed to occupancy because of the extreme fire and safety hazard. In this connection, there is growing agitation for the

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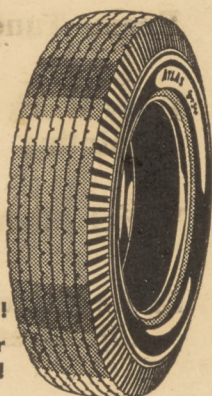
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CHANGE! — This is the 8th issue of this news-letter by your Editor, and it is with a tinge of regret that he moves on to another position with the Board of Supervisors. Your support of the Planning Commission is sincerely appreciated, and we only ask that you continue your interest and help for the new Director and your present public-spirited Commissioners.

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NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS FOR PEACE

It will pay every American citizen to read an article by General H. H. "Hap" Arnold, retired former chief of the Army Air Forces, that appeared in last Sunday's edition of "This Week" magazine in the Los Angeles Times. The General clearly and forcibly states that "the United States will lose the next war." Because of the utter devastation that will follow the use of atom bombs no nation can win another war, says Arnold.

General Arnold is well qualified to make such a prophetic statement. He was one of the Army's first birdmen and is responsible for America's position during the war as the world leader in air fighting power. For years he has battled against peacetime apathy and inertia to keep the United States prepared to defend itself against enemy aggression.

Actually, no one can win any war. We were the so-called victors in the recent fracas, but what have we won? Not only was it necessary to destroy the German and Japanese nations but in so doing we upset, temporarily at least, our own national economy and way of life; we imposed on ourselves hardships and restrictions that pleased none of us; we sacrificed the flower of our young manhood. We got, and are still getting, the royal run-around from an ally to whom we gave billions and in return we receive nothing but insolent abuse.

Apparently the Russians will respect nothing but armed strength. In order to keep the peace we must be fully prepared to enforce our right to survive and maintain our American form of government and way of life.

Preparedness involves adequate military establishments, particularly a first rate air force; mobilization of industrial resources and a stock pile of goods and machines; and a citizenry trained for national defense.

Since the fighting ceased we have already stripped our fighting forces to far below the minimum strength. In spite of better-than-ever pay and allowances the volunteer recruiting program is achieving only 80% results. Universal military training is a necessity if we are to be prepared to keep the peace. A majority of Americans favors such a step. Congress has dodged the issue and passed the buck.

We believe that military training is beneficial to any young man, as well as being of benefit to the nation. A year devoted to the welfare of his country is little enough to pay for the privilege of American citizenship. If many trainees should become imbued with the Army spirit and wish to make it their career, so much the better. No corporation in the country offers a better retirement plan than the Navy, Army or Air Force system.

The argument that to interrupt a boy's schooling between high school and college is harmful is so much hog-wash. A little contact with he-men and a release from Mamma's apron strings would be the making of many a young man who might otherwise be a blot on the landscape. The Armed Forces system of technical education is second to none in the world. Instead of taking a year out of a boy's life universal military training will put in a year of experience that can't be bought.

If America is to maintain its position among the powers of the world it must prepare to maintain the peace. There is no one to act as a buffer again while we spend a couple of years getting ready. Let's quit this horsing around and come to our senses while we have time. Let's have some action, Senators and Congressmen, before some dictatorial smart-aleck nation takes a crack at us.

As General Arnold said, "No one can win the next war." Prepare to stop it before it starts by being ready.

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No time is wasted when we send a special greeting to a friend. It may be you, or you, or you, for friends are judged by feelings true. Days glide so swiftly by, and lest I seem to forget, I want to say to you, my friend, I'm much in debt.

I'm in debt to you for the hand-clasp the day I was blue, I'm in debt to you for the pleasant smile and understanding too. I'm in debt to you for the lilting song that cheered me when the day seemed long. And the time you showed your faith was strong, when the rest of the gang seemed to think I was wrong.

When ugly Gossip reared her head, you came at once to me and said, "Old Pal, you got a dirty rap, but you're too big to fight it back." And then that time when Death hung low, and only God Himself could know my sorrow and despair; I did not need to look, for you were there.

I need you friend where e'er you are, for friendship knows no near nor far. I need you when the skies are blue; I need you in the darkness too. I only pray that in the end, I will have been just such a friend.

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By BETTY BARCLAY

Baked fresh pears make a tasty treat for winter meals. With a quantity of large fresh pears from Oregon, Washington, and California in the produce market it is easy to brighten winter menus by adding them often to your meals.

Either the Fall Russet or Anjou pears are good for baking, and make a versatile dish which may be served 'round the clock'. They are good as a cooked breakfast fruit; they make a taste-appealing dessert for lunch; or they may be used as a meat accompaniment; served as a chilled baked pear salad, or may add the finishing touch to dinner.

Baked Pears are simple to prepare, yet add that 'special' item to an otherwise uninteresting meal.

Baked Fresh Pears

6 large Anjou or Fall Russet pears
1 cup sugar or ½ cup sugar plus
½ cup honey or corn syrup
¾ cup water

2 tablespoons lemon juice
Cut fresh pears in half lengthwise and remove cores. Combine sugar, honey or corn syrup, water and lemon juice in saucepan. Bring to a boil and boil rapidly for 5 minutes. Place fresh pears in shallow baking dish. Pour syrup on and around pears. Cover dish. Bake at 350 degrees F. until almost tender, about 20 to 30 minutes, depending on firmness. Remove cover; increase heat to 450 degrees F. and bake 10 minutes longer, basting frequently, to glaze. Six servings. Serve warm or cold, plain or with cream.

Know your pears so you will recognize them when you see them in the market. The Fall Russet has a long tapering neck and is the

russet-skinned pear, which is especially fine for baking and for salads. They are on the produce markets from September to January.

Next, comes the Anjou, a semi-heart shaped pear with spicy flavor, and green to creamy yellow skin. They make their appearance in October and are on the market until April.

The Comice, similar in shape and skin-color to the Anjou, is a large tender pear, and an extra treat for eating out-of-hand. It comes to market in October and is available until January or February.

Last to come to market is the Nelis pear, a sweet russet-skinned pear which makes its appearance about January and is on the market until June.

In judging fresh pears for ripeness the gentle pressure test is the only sure guide. Pears that yield to gentle pressure are right for eating fresh, while those that are a little more firm are right for cooking.

Most pears come to market ripened from a conditioning room, but if they are not quite ripe enough to meet your special needs, they may be ripened by holding them at room temperature — 60 to 70 degrees — until they respond to the gentle pressure test. If they are to be held after ripening, they should be kept in the refrigerator.

Nutritionally, fresh pears on the market during the winter months have an important contribution to make. They supply some A, B, and C Vitamins; minerals, copper and iron; and levulose, a double-sweet sugar. Besides being good for you, they taste so good, whether cooked or uncooked.

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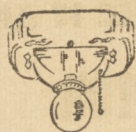
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Supt., Community Hall, 9:45 a.m.
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Sunday Mass, 8 and 10 a.m.

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Second Sunday each month.
Community Church.

UNION SUNDAY SCHOOL

Every Sunday, 10 a.m.
Crawford's Ranch.

Church Corner

By ANTOINETTE KIRCH

Dr. D. C. Williams' sermon was taken from the last chapter of St. John, "Follow Thou Me," verse 22.

Mrs. Kirch sang "What a Friend," accompanied by Mrs. H. K. Lee at the piano.

We are always happy to greet new friends at our services. This is your Community Chapel and we hope you will come to church while you are in Joshua Tree.

Dr. Williams is meeting with the architect and the Board in Los Angeles this week and very soon our plans will be perfected and we will be ready to start building the Community Chapel.

Coming EVENTS

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3rd Friday each month
Community Hall, 2 p.m.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Joshua Tree Women's Club
1st Friday each month
Community hall.

TRI-VALLEY LIONS CLUB

1st and 3rd Thursday
Boucheys, Yucca Valley
7:30 p.m. Dinner.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tri-Valley Lions Club
Last Thursday each month
Boucheys, Yucca Valley.

SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

1st and 3rd Monday each month
American Legion Hall.

JOSHUA TREE PTA

3rd Tuesday each month
School House, 8 p.m.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS PTA

2nd Tuesday each month.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Every Sunday, 6:30 p.m.
Home of Mrs. H. K. Lee

Reserve Officers Hold Troop School

Of interest to reserve officers in the Joshua Tree and 29 Palms area is the announcement by Headquarters of the 672d Composite Group of the Organized Reserve concerning a troop school to be held at the Officers Club, San Bernardino Air Base on Thursday night, January 15th, at 7:45 p.m. Assigned to the Group are several residents of these communities who hold commissions in the Officers Reserve Corps.

Recently assigned to the 672d are more than 300 officers residing in Riverside County. Wives of all officers are invited to attend a get acquainted meeting at the Club on the same evening that the troop school is held.

Part of the school session will be devoted to a talk on Sabotage by an agent of the FBI.

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Ambulance Called

The Joshua Tree ambulance was called on January 6th to take Mrs. Mary Wheeler of Joshua Tree for treatment for thrombosis. She was treated by Dr. E. L. Smith at his office in 29 Palms. Mr. Wheeler was the attendant and Ray Rees drove.

On January 9th F. W. Holloway of Morongo Valley was taken to the Riverside Hospital at Arlington after it was learned that he was suffering from tuberculosis, according to information given the Ambulance personnel. Holloway had been taken to Palm Springs hospital several days earlier because of sinus trouble. Gus Ojala drove the ambulance to Arlington and Mrs. Holloway attended her husband.

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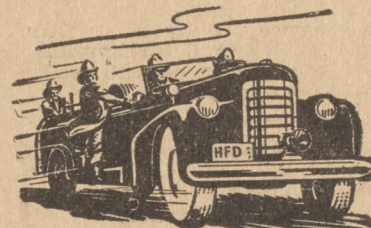
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membership by the board. Dues of old members are payable now and become delinquent on February 1st.

Two recent amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws will be printed and sent to all members for insertion in the copies provided last year. A letter from the County

Planning Commission relative to a uniform building set back plan for Joshua Tree was read and the plan summarized for the members by the secretary. The board of directors met Saturday morning to check the plan and offer suggestions as requested by the Planning Commission.

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Return of a Friend



By FRANCES LEE BARTON

Quick-cooking tapioca is back! This is an old friend known to all of us except perhaps the less-than-five-year-old youngsters who have not had the opportunity to become acquainted with this popular desert because of its wartime absence.

Quick-cooking tapioca provides infinite variety. Tapioca Cream, of course, is its most popular use and that recipe is given right on the familiar red, white and blue box you'll soon be seeing on your grocer's shelf! To dress this desert up, and make it more colorful, also, to add nutritive foods, try serving it with special additions.

For instance, Tapioca Cream with chocolate sauce makes a superb chocolate sundae which is especially popular with young folks. Then you can serve tapioca with any fruit, — fresh, canned, or frozen. With bananas, it's particularly delightful; with orange sections, too. Cherries, blueberries, blackberries, peaches . . . all are good with tapioca. And if you have no fruit available and you want to dress up tapioca in a hurry, put a spoonful of jam or jelly in the middle of the serving. It's quick, easy, and gay. All things which appeal to busy mothers and hungry children.

And here's a brand new tapioca treat for you to try:

Baked Apple Ring

1/2 cup quick-cooking tapioca
6 tablespoons brown sugar
3 tablespoons granulated sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon mace
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon grated lemon rind
1 tablespoon lemon juice
2 cups water
2 tart red apples
1 tablespoon butter or margarine
1 tablespoon flour

Combine quick-cooking tapioca, 3 tablespoons brown sugar, granulated sugar, salt, spices, lemon rind, juice, and water in saucepan and mix well. Bring quickly to a full boil over direct heat, stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Core unpeeled apples and cut crosswise into 1/4-inch slices (makes about 10 slices). Cover bottom of greased glass baking dish with half of the rings. Pour tapioca mixture over apples in baking dish. Cream butter, add remaining brown sugar and flour, and mix well. Spread mixture over tops of remaining apple rings. Arrange apple rings, sugar-side up, on top of tapioca. Bake in hot oven (400° F.) 30 minutes, or until apples are tender and browned. If necessary, place under broiler to finish browning. Serve warm, plain or with cream. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Howser Appoints New Assistant

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 13 — Attorney General Fred N. Howser today announced the appointment of Kenneth E. Lynch as Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Los Angeles office of the State Department of Justice.

"Because the work of the attorney general's office in Southern California is increasing steadily and because it will be necessary for me to be away frequently in pressing our fight to retain the state's tidelands, it became imperative that the position be filled," Howser declared. "The selection of Mr. Lynch was made after careful consideration of the requirements of the important post. I am well acquainted with Mr. Lynch's abilities, having appointed him a deputy district attorney of Los Angeles County five years ago."

"The opportunity for greater public service was responsible for my decision to join the attorney general's staff," Lynch stated. "I am happy that I shall have a part in the important that Mr. Howser is directing."

Prior to becoming a deputy district attorney, Lynch was for four years on the staff of the Los Angeles Public Defender and for twelve years a clerk of the Los Angeles County Superior Court.

A native of New York, he has resided in Los Angeles since 1919. He is a graduate of Venice High School, the University of Southern California and the Law School of Loyola University. In 1946 he was president of the Lawyers Club of Los Angeles and has been active in committee work of the State Bar. A past exalted ruler of B.P.O.E. 99, Lynch is at present Deputy Grand Esquire of the Elks Grand Lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynch, their daughter, Betty Jean, and their son, Kenneth Jr., reside at 2300 Moss Avenue, Los Angeles.

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What a Lunch!



By BETTY BARCLAY

When there's frost in the air and out-of-door sports call for hale and hearty stick-to-the-rib foods, here's a pudding that is a pudding. Served hot or cold, it's delicious to top off a good dinner. And what an addition it makes to a box lunch for school or the autumn fishing or camping trip! It's spicily seasoned and deliciously seasonable — for just this time of year.

Raisin-Nut Spice Pudding

1 1/2 cups water
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 to 4 tablespoons brown sugar
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 cup raisins
1/2 cup wheat-meal
2 tablespoons chopped walnut meats

Place water, salt, sugar, cinnamon, and raisins in deep saucepan. Bring to a boil; add cereal slowly, stirring constantly. Bring again to a boil and cook and stir 3 minutes. Add walnut meats. Serve hot or cold with cream. Makes 3 or 4 servings.

To serve cold, turn into individual custard cups and chill. Unmold before serving.

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now talking about meat rationing. Prices are so high now that cattle raisers are selling off more than usual. Feed prices are high also and that discourages the grower of steaks on the hoof. I think I'll send for that Government Bulletin on rabbit raising and prepare to get rich when the shortage hits the desert. The bright side of the picture is worth looking at however. The local turkey growers should have a well deserved good year.

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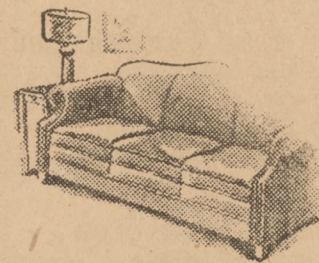
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